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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Divisional Application of TAKENOUCHI, Kazuya; GAO, Qingzhi; MANABE, Kenji; SOGAWA, Ryo; TAKANO, Yasuhiro and ISHIZUKA, Seiichi entitled VITAMIN D3 DERIVATIVE AND TREATING AGENT FOR INFLAMMATORY RESPIRATORY DISEASE USING SAME

Assignee: TEIJIN LIMITED

Our Ref: Q67008

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/830,167 (Confirmation No.1074) filed April 23, 2001 of, TAKENOUCHI, Kazuya; GAO, Qingzhi; MANABE, Kenji; SOGAWA, Ryo; TAKANO, Yasuhiro and ISHIZUKA, Seiichi entitled VITAMIN D3 DERIVATIVE AND TREATING AGENT FOR INFLAMMATORY RESPIRATORY DISEASE USING SAME.

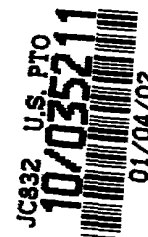
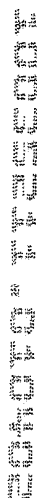
This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a copy of the Assignment, an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1616.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a divisional of Application No. 09/830,167 (Confirmation No. 1074) filed April 23, 2001, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

Priority is claimed from October 23, 1998, December 21, 1998, December 22, 1998, December 22, 1998, and December 22, 1998, based on JP Application Nos. 10/302321, 10/362827, 10/365207, 10/365208, and 10/365209, respectively. The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 09/830,167.





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Cancel claims: 1-44 and insert new claims 45-53.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims | 9 - 20 | = | | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independent claims | 1 - 3 | = | | x | \$84.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Base Fee | | | | | | | \$740.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Fee | | | | | | | \$280.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | | | | \$1020.00 |

A check for the statutory fee of \$1020.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,
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